



IDAHO POTATOES

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PROCESSING

Processors in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon used 6.61 million cwt of 2005 crop raw potatoes during January, up 11 percent from last year. For the 2005 crop, processors have used a total of 35.6 million cwt to February 1, down 3 percent from last year. Idaho potatoes accounted for 30.5 million cwt of the total processed. The remaining 5.08 million cwt were produced in other states.

POTATOES USED FOR PROCESSING, SELECTED STATES, 2004 AND 2005 1/

STATE	STORAGE SEASON	TO OCT 1	TO NOV 1	TO DEC 1	TO JAN 1	TO FEB 1	TO MAR 1	TO APR 1	TO MAY 1	TO JUN 1	ENTIRE SEASON
1,000 Cwt											
Idaho & Malheur Co, OR All Potatoes	2004-05	10,470	17,390	24,360	30,840	36,820	44,610	51,000	58,090	65,800	84,600
	2005-06	8,370	15,740	22,590	28,960	35,570					
IDAHO Potatoes	2004-05	8,300	14,880	21,060	26,850	32,430	39,630	45,330	51,800	59,230	75,710
	2005-06	5,540	11,780	18,010	24,160	30,490					
Maine 2/	2004-05			1,540	1,970	2,600	3,135	3,700	4,340	4,910	6,590
	2005-06			1,290	1,805	2,405					
Wash. & Other Area, OR	2004-05	17,970	24,990	32,305	38,130	43,570	50,730	57,140	63,855	71,355	78,680
	2005-06 3/	16,620	23,645	30,310	35,895	40,545					
Other States 4/	2004-05			12,490	15,000	17,965	20,910	24,150	27,480	30,945	41,175
	2005-06			11,820	15,030	17,980					
TOTAL	2004-05			70,695	85,940	100,955	119,385	135,990	153,765	173,010	211,045
	2005-06			66,010	81,690	96,500					
DEHYDRATED 5/	2004-05			14,525	18,540	21,875	25,970	30,020	33,685	38,505	47,805
	2005-06			12,180	15,920	19,515					

1/ Total quantity received and used for processing regardless of the State in which the potatoes were produced. Amount excludes quantities used for potato chips in ME, MI, and WI. 2/ Includes Maine grown potatoes only. 3/ January revised. 4/ CO, MN, NV, ND, and WI. 5/ Dehydrated products except starch and flour. Included in above totals. Includes CO, ID, NV, ND, OR, WA, and WI.

STOCKS

Potato stocks held by growers, dealers, and processors in Idaho on February 1 totaled 65.0 million cwt, 10.0 million cwt less than on hand February 1, 2005. Disappearance, at 52.0 million cwt, is down from last year's 57.0 million cwt. Stocks in the 10 Southwest counties totaled 3.80 million cwt, down from last year's revised 4.70 million cwt. The Other counties' stocks, at 61.2 million cwt, were 9.10 million cwt less than the amount stored on February 1, 2005.

Nationally, the 13 major potato States held 188 million cwt of potatoes in storage February 1, 2006, down 7 percent from last year and 6 percent below February 1, 2004, for comparable States. Ohio and Pennsylvania were dropped from the potato stocks program starting with the 2005 storage season. Potatoes in storage account for 50 percent of the 2005 fall storage States' production, unchanged from last year. Stocks by type were 2 percent red, 9 percent round white, 2 percent long white (Shepody), and 87 percent russets, with a smaller percentage of reds and round whites but a larger percentage of russets than a year ago for comparable States. Disappearance of 185 million cwt from the start of harvest to February 1, is down 6 percent from last year for comparable States. Shrink and loss, at 18.1 million cwt, is down 17 percent from last year for comparable States.

Western States held 136 million cwt of potatoes in storage on February 1, down 4 percent from last year. Both Idaho's and Colorado's potato stocks are down 13 percent from last year. Montana's potato sheds stored 1 percent less than in 2005 and California's stocks decreased 39 percent from last year. Oregon's potato stocks are up 23 percent from last year and Washington's potato sheds stored 10 percent more than last season.

Central States accounted for 40.1 million cwt of potato stocks on February 1, down 17 percent from last year for comparable States. Wisconsin's potato stocks decreased 4 percent from last year, Minnesota's stocks are down 12 percent from 2005, and stocks in North Dakota are 41 percent below February 1, 2005. Michigan potato sheds stored 6 percent more than last year.

Eastern States stored 11.7 million cwt of potatoes on February 1, down 5 percent from last year for comparable States. Maine's potato sheds held 10 percent less than last year, while New York's potato stocks increased 42 percent from a year ago.

FALL POTATOES PRODUCTION & STOCKS 2000-2005 IDAHO & 15 FALL STATES 1/, 2/

CROP YEAR	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS						
		DEC 1	FOLLOWING YEAR					
			JAN 1	FEB 1	MAR 1	APR 1	MAY 1	JUN 1
IDAHO 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 15 States 1/ 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2/	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>							
	152,320	111,000	101,000	87,500	76,500	61,500	47,000	26,500
	120,200	87,500	78,000	68,000	58,000	45,000	32,500	18,500
	133,385	92,000	82,500	72,500	62,000	49,000	34,500	21,000
	123,180	86,000	76,500	67,000	58,000	46,000	33,000	19,500
	131,970	93,500	84,500	75,000	64,000	52,000	38,500	24,000
	116,975	84,000	74,500	65,000				
	458,827	310,300	275,270	234,260	197,670	153,520	109,160	61,270
	387,033	258,750	224,680	192,090	158,590	119,950	81,200	42,990
	407,085	264,485	231,490	199,020	165,210	125,770	83,040	45,880
	403,181	267,900	233,590	200,230	166,280	126,110	85,000	46,020
	403,587	271,100	236,700	203,490	168,020	128,900	88,550	51,700
	372,581	251,800	218,900	187,600				

1/ See table below for listing of 15 states. 2/ 13 states for 2005.

PRODUCTION AND TOTAL STOCKS OF FALL POTATOES HELD BY GROWERS, PROCESSORS AND LOCAL DEALERS ON FEBRUARY 1, 2005 AND FEBRUARY 1, 2006 1/

STATE	CROP OF 2004			CROP 2005		
	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2005 2/	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION	PRODUCTION	TOTAL STOCKS FEBRUARY 1, 2006	FEBRUARY 1 STOCKS AS % OF PRODUCTION
	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>	<u>1,000 Cwt</u>		<u>Percent</u>
California	3,648	1,800	49	3,240	1,100	34
Colorado	23,791	13,700	58	22,292	11,900	53
Idaho	131,970	75,000	57	116,975	65,000	56
Maine	19,065	11,100	58	15,736	10,000	64
Michigan	13,650	4,800	35	13,920	5,100	37
Minnesota	18,920	10,200	54	17,630	9,000	51
Montana	3,551	3,350	94	3,434	3,300	96
Nebraska	9,288			8,245	4,000	49
New York	5,184	1,200	23	5,226	1,700	33
N. Dakota	26,765	15,300	57	20,500	9,000	44
Ohio 3/	1,080					
Oregon	19,775	11,800	60	22,023	14,500	66
Pennsylvania 3/	2,640	900	34			
Washington	93,810	36,500	39	95,480	40,000	42
Wisconsin	30,450	13,600	45	27,880	13,000	47
Other States		4,240				
15 STATES 4/	403,587	203,490	50	372,581	187,600	50

1/ Stocks include processor holdings and most of the seed to plant following year's crop. Seed usage for all seasons in 2005 totaled 24.7 million cwt.

2/ Missing stocks combined into "Other States". 3/ Stock estimates discontinued in 2005. 4/ 13 States for the 2005 crop.

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